YPSILANTI CATHOLIC

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Your Support And Cooperation Needed For Religious Education Program

This Privileged Hour. . .

by Father King

"Take two giant steps!" are words that may have been quite meaningful in our early childhood and spelled out a hopeful chance for victory. As we approach the second year of our intensified religious education program, there is kind of a similar feeling of hope as we begin what we feel is definitely another giant step ahead.

Once again, we are blessed with very competent personnel to direct the program at all phases. Our new coordinator is already demonstrating her skill at organizing qualified people to work together.

Last year was our first attempt at released time and it appears to have been quite successful; though, admittedly, success is sometimes hard to judge because criteria can be quite relative. But there are definite signs of real progress having been made in that first year.

This year we hope will be even more successful. We feel that we have a good program and good teachers. Now we need the support and cooperation of good parents and good students.

This support must first of all be spiritual. Parents who provide a home where faith and prayer are living realities. This is a critical need. Because faith is indeed a gift of God, we can neither teach it nor give it. We can, and must, provide the kind of soil in which the seed of faith can grow and mature. We provide the climate and the conditions under which the gift of faith can become a reality in the life of those around us.

The support must be moral in that positive encouragement and reenforcement comes from both parents not only in seeing that their students attend, but by taking an active interest in what they are doing, sharing the experience with them.

The support must be financial. Over $30,000.00 has been allotted from our parish income for religious education this coming year. This means that each week, over $700.00 should come out of the weekly collection each week of the school year to meet this need. In addition to the parish contribution, parents will have to give additional support through fees to meet the total expense.

If you have children in the public school, we sincerely hope you stopped downstairs after Mass today so that your students will be registered for the program that suits their needs. That is the first step toward success; we hope you took it.

PARISH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, September 17
- PARENTS' MEETING AFTER ALL THE MASSES, CHURCH HALL
- 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM Masses - Babysitting Services, Rm. 5, Parish Center
- 2:00 - 4:00 - OPEN HOUSE AT TRINITY CHAPEL

MONDAY, September 18
- 1:30 - 7:00 PM - BLOOD BANK AT EMMANUAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
- 7:00 PM - Boy Scouts, Church Hall
- 7:30 PM - Youth Committee Executive Meeting
- 8:00 PM - Education Commission Meeting, Parish Library

TUESDAY, September 19
- 7:00 PM - Teen Center Activities
- 7:30 PM - Liturgy Preparation, Rm. 9, Parish Center

THURSDAY, September 21
- 7:00 PM - Teen Center activities
- 8:00 PM - Ushers' Meeting, Rectory

PRO-LIFE ITEMS

As we approach the November elections, we will include points in each bulletin from Sept. 17th through Nov. 5th from the Protection of Life Committee to provide information for voters who are either misinformed or uninformed on the abortion issue, and are unaware of the facts and ramifications. Please feel free to share these ideas with your friends and neighbors so that they will go to the polls with the proper facts.

1. We must not let the drift of public opinion blind us to what an abortion is. It is the taking of a HUMAN LIFE. The right of the child to live is greater than and supersedes any right that a woman may have to the privacy of her own body.
2. An abortion is major surgery. It requires anesthesia, which is always somewhat dangerous. But the most serious danger is that of hemorrhage. Especially with curettage you run the risk of puncturing the uterus. Statistics show that abortion is definitely more dangerous than childbirth to the mother.
3. If we divide the number of people presently living in the United States by its total acreage, each individual has ten acres. Slow-down in growth has quickly outdated the Census Bureau's population projections made in 1967. At its present rate of decline, the U.S. birthrate would be well below replacement level by 1990.
4. Child abuse is not a continuation of the rejection of the child, but much more, a consequence of the adult's personal abilities to cope with any number of other problems. An overwhelming number of children who

are abused by their parents were "planned pregnancies." Parents who abuse their children were usually abused themselves.

5. Those who favor "middle of the road" attitudes toward abortion fail to realize there is no middle ground between life and death. A wound can be healed; pollution can be removed from water and air; a ruined reputation can be restored. There is no reprieve from abortion; the aborted baby has no second chance at life.

FESTIVAL PLANNED

St. Alexis Annual Festival - September 23-24. Rain or shine under the Big Tent - Saturday, September 23, 9:00 AM 'til after dark.

Feal Market, Bake Sale, Helicopter Rides, and other Rides, Booths, Games and Prizes.

Sunday 12:00 PM 'til 5:00 PM - Ham Dinner, Adults $2.50 - Children under 5 free - Children 5 - 12 $1.25. Plus rides, games and prizes.

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Teachers are still needed for the second, third and sixth grades. Again we ask you to give this matter prayerful consideration. As was noted last week, teacher lesson planning sessions will be held once a month. This is a service rendered not only to the children, but to the community. Certainly, also, the teacher benefits by sharing his/her faith. As Jesus said, "Give and it shall be given to you, a full measure, heaped up, pressed down and overflowing."

If you feel you are able to use your gifts in this way, please call Sister Ann, Sr. Sheila or Sr. Mary at 483-6378 or 483-6396.

BABY-SITTING SERVICES

Parents! Don't give up hope for babysitting for your children at the 9:00 and 11:00 A.M. Sunday Masses. There will be girls there for these Masses beginning this Sunday, September 17th. As soon as we are ready, there will be a schedule published each week so that you are aware of who your babysitters will be, and as a reminder to the girls that they have been assigned for certain Masses. Thank you for your patience during the summer months when most girls were on vacation.

FINANCIAL BAROMETER
September 10, 1972

Sunday Offertory $2,196.50

WITH THIS RING
syndicated TV series

A new series of programs on "With This Ring" is starting on September 17th and ending with the last principle on November 5th. The programs can be seen at 9:30 A.M. each Sunday on WJBK–TV, Channel 2, Detroit. The titles and a brief description of each program on the schedule will appear weekly in the YPSILANTI CATHOLIC.

SEPTEMBER 17 – ONE WHO CAME BACK: Christ cured ten lepers; just one gave him thanks. Two thousand years later gratitude is still in short supply.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Catholic Social Services of Washtenaw County urgently needs volunteers for telephone answering service, nights and weekends. Work entirely in your own home. Training and supervision provided. Call Mrs. M. Ohlgren, 662-4534 or 971-7370.

CHOIR REHEARSALS

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20th
BEGIN: 6:30 P.M.
IN: Room 9
of Parish Center
FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT
Madeline Groshans, 434-2095
or
Sister Mary, 434-6378 or 483-3408.

PARISH NUPTIALS

Griglio - Chance

On Friday evening, September 8, Phillip M. Griglio and Deborah R. Chance spoke vows proclaiming their life-long commitment to one another in marriage during a Nuptial Mass celebrated by Fr. Harvey.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Griglio of Dearborn. The new bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Chance of Ann Arbor.

Ernest Weidenberger of Ypsilanti and C. Lynn Hulett of Ann Arbor were main attendants. Sister Mary was soloist accompanied by Scott Etzell, organist.

We extend our best wishes to Phil and Debbie.

NEW LIFE IN CHRIST

On Sunday, September 10, 1972, Father William King received five new members into Saint John's family at the 11:00 A.M. Mass.

Patrick John Harrison, son of James and Margaret Howard Harrison, whose godparents were Dennis Billings and Linda Kampling; Jennifer Kristine Legg, daughter of Paul and Theresa Connor Legg, whose godparents were James and Brenda O'Guin with Paul Connor also

being present; Jill Eilene Randall, daughter of Gary and Gerry Cosgrove Randall, whose godparents were Gregory Randall and Patricia Haines; Stephanie Anne Stevens, daughter of George and Diane Jones Stevens, whose godparents were Thomas and Betty Stevens; and Robert Raymond Whiting, son of Robert and Karen Long Whiting, whose godparents were Donald and Joan Greer were the recipients of the Sacrament of Baptism.

Welcome into the parish family Patrick, Jennifer, Jill, Stephanie and Robert.

RIGHT TO LIFE

VOLUNTEERS needed desperately for neighborhood canvassing in regard to the Abortion Reform proposal to be submitted to voters at the November ballot. Only one volunteer from our parish has responded to date. Call Mary Clare Anhut at 482-5964, or Nola Haynes at 971-5168.

YOU ARE NEEDED

Don't forget the BLOOD BANK for St. John's to be held at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 201 N. River on September 18th. The hours are from 1:30 to 7:30 P.M. YOU ARE NEEDED!

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MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY, September 18, 1972 - Weekday
7:00 a.m. - Health of Randy Grodzicki, req. by Myron Welch
TUESDAY, September 19, 1972 - Weekday
7:00 a.m. - Edward C. Bath, 19th Anniversary, req. by Mr. E. T. Bath & Daughter
12:00 Noon - Violet Eberts, req. by Mr. & Mrs. William G. Weber
WEDNESDAY, September 20, 1972 - Weekday
7:00 a.m. - Anastasia Oleson, req. by Ruth Carl & Dennis Sumner and Murl & Judy Nieman & Girls
THURSDAY, September 21, 1972 - St. Matthew, Apostle
7:00 a.m. - Harry F. Brothers, req. by Tim, Cindy & Sandy Brothers
12:00 Noon - No Mass
FRIDAY, September 22, 1972 - Weekday
7:00 a.m. - G. Thomas Riley, req. by John & Ruth Bielas
SATURDAY, September 23, 1972
9:00 a.m. - William Jackson, req. by Mr. & Mrs. Walter Brown, Mr. & Mrs. Richard Kelly and Mrs. Helen Downey & Family
5:00 p.m. - Intention of Celebrant
SUNDAY, September 24, 1972
7:00 a.m. - Alfred E. Walters, req. by Lou & Dan, Ellen & Frank
9:00 a.m. - Helena Stachlewicz, Anniversary
11:00 a.m. - Myrtle Starwas, req. by Anne Burke
7:00 p.m. - Andrew J. Kelly, req. by Clarabelle & Jim Hill

WEDDING BANNS

III John Kopacz, Jr. and Laura Ann Vaughan
III Dan Shermon, Jr. and Sharon Fettig

ALTAR BOYS WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 17

WEEKDAY MASSES: 7:00 AM or 12:00 Noon
WEDNESDAY EVENING MASSES: 7:00 PM
SATURDAY MORNING MASSES: 9:00 AM
TEAM 1 - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday - Mike and Pat Wideman
TEAM 2 - Thursday, Friday, Saturday - Rick Steeby and Greg Gillman
SATURDAY, September 23
5:00 PM - Mike and Frank Williams
SUNDAY, September 24
7:00 AM - Paul and Kevin Courtois
9:00 AM - Tim O'Hara and Mike Prevost
11:00 AM - David Dupuis and Tom Anhut
7:00 PM - Tim Motto and John Baxter

LECTOR SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, September 23, 1972
5:00 p.m. . . . . C. Budinger
SUNDAY, September 24, 1972
7:00 a.m. . . . . F. Wawrzaszek
9:00 a.m. . . . . V. Clyne
11:00 a.m. . . . . D. Wheeler

COMMENTATOR SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, September 23, 1972
5:00 p.m. . . . . E. Look
SUNDAY, September 24, 1972
7:00 a.m. . . . . D. Racine
9:00 a.m. . . . . E. Butman
11:00 a.m. . . . . M. Wheeler

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SUNDAY LITURGY
SATURDAY EVENING — 5:00 p.m.
SUNDAY: 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

HOLYDAY LITURGY
5:30 and 9:00 a.m.; 4:00, 6:00 and 8:00 p.m.

DAILY LITURGY
7:00 a.m. Monday through Friday; 9:00 a.m. Saturday

BAPTISMS
At 11:00 a.m. Mass on second Sunday of each month.

CONFESSIONS
Saturday 3:30 - 4:30 and 8:00 p.m. or by appointment.

MARIAN DEVOTIONS
7:15 Wednesday evenings.

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